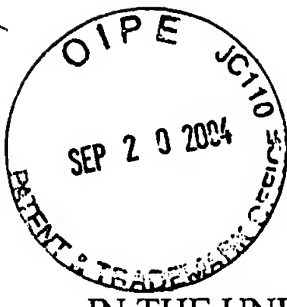
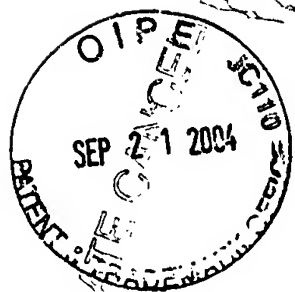


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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions for a one month extension of time, to and including September 20, 2004, to respond to the Office Action mailed May 25, 2004. The extension fee of \$110.00 is enclosed herewith. The undersigned hereby authorizes the charging of any required fees not included or any deficiency of fees submitted herewith to deposit account No. 19-5117.

Respectfully submitted,

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